

### Subpart A—Disposal Guidance and Procedures

#### § 273.1 Purpose.

(a) This part is composed of several subparts, each containing its own purpose. In accordance with the authority in DoD Directive 5134.12, “Assistant Secretary of Defense for Logistics and Materiel Readiness (ASD(L&MR))” (available at <http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/pdf/513412p.pdf>); DoD Instruction 4140.01, “Supply Chain Materiel Management Policy” (available at <http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/pdf/414001p.pdf>); and DoD Instruction 4160.28, “DoD Demilitarization (DEMIL) Program” (available at <http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/pdf/416028p.pdf>), this part:

(1) Prescribes uniform procedures for the disposition of DoD personal property.

(2) Establishes the sequence of processes for disposition of personal property of the DoD Components.

(b) This subpart:

(1) Implements the statutory authority and regulations under which DoD personal property disposal takes place, as well as the scope and applicability for the program.

(2) Defines the responsibilities of personnel and agencies involved in the Defense Materiel Disposition Program.

(3) Provides procedures for disposal of excess property and scrap.

(4) Provides procedures for property donations, loans, and exchanges.

#### § 273.2 Applicability.

(a) This subpart applies to the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Military Departments, the Office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Joint Staff, the Combatant Commands, the Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Defense, the Defense Agencies, the DoD Field Activities, and all other organizational entities within the DoD (referred to collectively in this subpart as the “DoD Components”).

(b) If a procedural conflict exists, these references take precedence:

(1) 41 CFR chapters 101 and 102 (also known as the Federal Property Management Regulations and Federal Man-

agement Regulation (FPMR and FMR)).

(2) 40 U.S.C. subtitle I, also known as the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act.

#### § 273.3 Definitions.

Unless otherwise noted, these terms and their definitions are for the purpose of this subpart.

*Abandonment and destruction (A/D).* A method for handling property that:

(1) Is abandoned and a diligent effort to determine the owner is unsuccessful.

(2) Is uneconomical to repair or the estimated costs of the continued care and handling of the property exceeds the estimated proceeds of sale.

(3) Has an estimated cost of disposal by A/D that is less than the net sales cost.

*Accountability.* The obligation imposed by law, lawful order, or regulation, accepted by a person for keeping accurate records to ensure control of property, documents, or funds, with or without possession of the property. The person who is accountable is concerned with control while the person who has possession is responsible for custody, care, and safekeeping.

*Acquisition cost.* The amount paid for property, including transportation costs, net any trade and cash discounts. Also see standard price.

*Ammunition.* Generic term related mainly to articles of military application consisting of all kinds of bombs, grenades, rockets, mines, projectiles, and other similar devices or contrivances.

*Automatic identification technology (AIT).* A suite of technologies enabling the automatic capture of data, thereby enhancing the ability to identify, track, document, and control assets (e.g. materiel), deploying and redeploying forces, equipment, personnel, and sustainment cargo. AIT encompasses a variety of data storage or carrier technologies, such as linear bar codes, two-dimensional symbols (PDF417 and Data Matrix), magnetic strips, integrated circuit cards, optical laser discs (optical memory cards or compact discs), satellite tracking transponders, and radio frequency identification tags used for marking or “tagging” individual items, equipment, air